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SUBJECT: CSCE: CBM'S GNERAL DISARMANENT TEXT

FOR EUR/RPM

REF: GENEVA 5078

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT MENTALLY REGISTERED ON JULY 3 FOR
GENERAL DISARMAMENT SECTION OF MILITARY SECURITY CHAPTER:

BEGIN TEXT:

THE PARTICIPATING STATES RECOGNIZE TH INTEREST OF
ALL OF THEM IN EFFORTS AIMED AT LESSENING MILITARY
TENSION AND PROMOTING DISARMANENT WHICH ARE DESIGNED
TO COMPLMENT POLITICAL DETNTE IN EUROPE AND TO
STRENGTHEN THEIR SECURITY. THEY ARE CONVINCED OF THE
NECESSITY TO TAKE EFFECTIVE MEASURES IN THESE FIELDS
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WHICH BY THEIR SCOPE AND BY THEIR NATURE CONSTITUTE STEPS

TOWARDS THE ULTIMATE ACHIEVEMENT OF GENERAL AND COMPLETE
DISARMAMENT UNDER STRICT AND EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL
CONTROL, AND WHICH SHOULD RESULT IN STRENGTHENING PEACE
AND SECURITY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. END TEXT.

2. TEXT DIFFERS FROM VERSION MENTALLY REGISTERED ON
JULY 24, 1974, IN THAT "MILITARY TENSION" HAS BEEN
SUBSTITUTED FOR "MILITARY CONFRONTATION IN FIRST SENTENCE,
AT SOVIET REQUEST. ALLIES HAVE RESERVED ON THIS CHANGE,
SINCE THEY HAD EARLIER UNDERSTOOD THAT SOVIETS WANTED
ONLY "TENSION", NOT "MILITARY TENSION". FRG
AND NETHERLANDS ARE PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE TO JUXTAPOSITION
OF "MILITARY TENSION" AND "POLITICAL DETENTE" WHICH THEY
SEE AS INDIRECT SOVIET ATTEMPT TO PROMOTE IDEA OF SEPARATE
MILITARY AND POLITICAL DETENTE. AT OUR SUGGESTION,
SOVIETS ARE PREPARED TO DROP "POLITICAL" BEFORE "DETENTE" IN ORDER
TO KEEP "MILITARY" BEFORE "TENSION", AND THIS IS LIKELY CONSENSUS
OUTCOME.

3. SEPARATE QUESTION IS WHETHER ABOVE TEXT SHOULD PRECEDE OR
FOLLOW TEXT ON CSCE/ARMS CONTROL RELATIONSHIPS IN REFTEL.
SOVIETS PREFER TO HAVE ABOVE TEXT FIRST. CANADIAN REP
HAS ARGUED THAT IT WOULD BE UNWISE TO PRECEDE SECTION
PERTAINING LARGELY TO MBFR WITH CONSIDERATIONS ON GENERAL
DISARMAMENT, EVEN IF TWO TEXTS ARE CLEARLY SEPARATED
(WITH LETTERS OR ROMAN NUMERALS). WE DO NOT SHARE
CANADIAN APPREHENSIONS AND BELIEVE WE CAN SAFELY ACCEPT
ANY CONSENSUS SOLUTION ON SEQUENCE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE BY JULY 15, WHEN TEXTS
MAY BE REGISTERED, IF WASHINGTON WISHES ANY MODIFICATIONS
IN PROPOSED ACTION ON ABOVE TEXT. DALE

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